Coming soon to Collier County:

## Over \$81 million in federal funds for 1-75

- More Safety
- More Convenience



Congressman
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WORKING FOR COLLIER COUNTY



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## **GOING SOMEWHERE?**

Congressman Mario Diaz-Balart and Chairman Tom Petri Petri (Highways, Transit and Pipelines Subcommittee) discussing the solutions for traffic congestion in Southern Florida. Soon it will be on safer, wider roads and bighways.

## Florida receives \$8.721 billion in Highway Bill (HR 3)

The Highway Bill, HR 3, included a total of \$8.721 billion for improving Florida's transportation infrastructure, significantly increasing Florida's rate of return on its contribution. These much needed funds will help update and improve highway and transit facilities throughout the state of Florida. This record-level funding for Florida includes several vital projects in Collier County.

## **Diaz-Balart Secures Record Funding for I-75**

Congressman Mario Diaz-Balart secured over \$81 million of long awaited funding from the Highway Trust Fund for improvements and widening of I-75 in southwest Florida as part of the highway funding bill recently signed by the President.

The Highway Bill represents the strongest step forward ever made to improve I-75, which has been plagued by severe congestion in Collier County. Improvements and widening to I-75 will provide for better commutes, greater accessibility and additional evacuation route capacity.

As a Member of the House Transportation Committee, Congressman Diaz-Balart worked with the committee's leadership and Florida delegation members, especially Congressman Connie Mack, to ensure that significant funding for I-75 was included in the Highway Bill. In fact, the allocation for I-75 was the largest dollar highway project in Florida and one of the largest dollar highway projects in the entire nation.